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17 Nov.

1. Lt. Graf to KOKUBUNJI. Ordnance, Engineering, and Signal stations cleared of all worthwhile documents. Major Klima (5250th T. I. C.) present during screening operations for about two hours. Stated that he had already taken all documents of any value to ordnance and that rest could be evacuated. Col. Meyer, OCE, also present. Latter took all Engineering documents which had been selected for evacuation. Major Klima and Col. Meyer promised to furnish WDC, Adv. with lists of items taken. Documents packed in properly marked crates and brought to central repository on ground to facilitate collection.

2. Visited site of Army Intendence School at site occupied by unit of Americal Div. until 8 Nov. Approximately 50,000 texts, references, manuals, etc. Scanning team briefed on basis for selecting items at this site.

3. 2nd Lt. Hiroshima and Sgt. Misusawa, both Atis linguists, returned to Atis upon completion of Kokubunji site. Atis to furnish two replacements to assist Lt. Dean and Graf in Intendence school.

4. 2 Navy officers ordered to Kure, DaSilva and Fuld
2 Navy officers ordered to Maisura; Kannon and Mahoney.

5. Documents selected at Yokosuka, listed on Shipping Advice #2 consisting of 65 mail sacks on board ship. Site completely cleared.

6. Lt. (sg) Meehan (electronics) reported from Jicpoa
Lt. (jg) Pasakony (electronics) " " "

18 Nov.

1. Lt. Graf screened documents which have trickled into Atis from various sources--constituting documents listed on SA #10001.

2. Two language EM from Atis to replace Hiroshima and Misusawa sent to Intendence School.

3. Conference with Lt. Col. Smith on subject of orientation and integration.

4. Lt. Graf reported to Col. Wood that Kokubunji site had been cleared of documents worth evacuating, that Ordnance and Engineers had removed documents of pertinence to their studies. In view of Col. Mashbir's recommendation that documents not be evacuated to NYK, Col. Wood agreed that direct evacuation from site was advisable.

19 Nov.

1. Lt. Graf to Intendance School to facilitate selection there, since the site is to be occupied by an Engineer Unit of Cav. Div.
2. Major Stremiau saw Lt. Col. McQuail, 8th Army representative in GHQ about transportation of documents from Kokubunji to Yokosuka.
3. Lt. Comdr. Reierstad applied for orders for self and Major Stremiau to go to Maizuru via Kyoto.
4. Comdr. Reierstad prepared Check Sheet to Japanese Liaison (see enclosure #1) denying Japanese Navy Department return of certain documents required by Navy Department for historical research.

20 Nov.

1. Drew up tentative distribution list for Shipping Advices.
2. Lt. Graf conferred with Lt. Mayer-Oakes of Atis on production procedures.
3. Comdr. Reierstad left for Kyoto.
4. Kokubunji document SA #1 in production.

21 Nov.

1. Order from Col. Munson that Mirasaki documents are not to be evacuated until fully exploited locally. The Request of Jap Navy and any other agency is to be honored before documents can be cleared for evacuation.
2. Col. Smith directed Major Stremiau to prepare a check sheet recommending that inventory lists of documents held by Tech. Intell teams for sent to WDC, Adv.
3. Completion of check sheet for acquisition of items for WDC Library. List prepared by Lt. Graf, consists of 235 items representing a cross section of Japanese publications in the fields of economy, jurisprudence, art, political science, and world affairs.
4. Lt. Col. McInnes, OCE (5250th T. I. C.) called, requested that Lt. Graf accompany him on 23 to Iron and Steel Institution of Japan.

22 Nov.

1. Major Stremiau called on Col. Smith, Wood, and Munson to clarify evacuation of documents by other agencies. Col. Munson stated that all agencies must clear documents with Col. Wood's office before they can be evacuated. It was requested that Col. Wood define the position of WDC (Adv) in this matter.
2. Intendance School documents crated and ready for evacuation. Documents from this site listed in SA #3.

23 Nov.

1. Lt. Graf accompanied Lt. Col McInnes (5250th T. I. C.) to offices of Nippon Tekko Kyokai (The Iron and Steel Institute of Japan). Organization is a clearing house for all research in metals and published a digest of research articles appearing in trade journals in Japan. Editorial board agreed to furnish an index of published articles and articles accepted for publication but which have not yet appeared in print. Index to be delivered to WDC by 7 Dec.

2. 5th Army reports of documents held in place prepared in form of file.

3. Lt. (sg) Putnam reported in from Guam, speciality "ships"
Lt. (jg) Verreke " " " " " "ordnance"
Ensign Lewis " " " "

Apparently Lt. Comdr Malinquist had sufficient points to qualify for discharge and no replacement is contemplated.

4. Lt. Pasokany accompanied trucks to Kokubunji and supervised loading and movement to Yokosuka.

24 Nov.

1. Lt. Col. Tait of WDIT called by phone and ordered that shipment of Kokubunji documents be stopped. Major Strenlau and Lt. Graf called on Col. Wood. Col. Wood stated that other agencies and other Ordnance officers were interested in the documents and that the shipment had best be stopped. During interview Col. Cave of Chief of Ordnance appeared. He denied Major Klima the right to clear the Kokubunji ordnance documents and insisted that the shipment be stopped and the documents returned to Tokyo. The situation, according to Col. Wood has changed and it is the intention of services to conduct exhaustive research right here in Japan. In view of this development documents cannot be evacuated until Col. Wood's office has cleared the shipment. (see enclosure #3)

2. Lts. Posakany and Lewis sent to Yokosuka to stop shipment. 5250th to supply trucks to return documents to T. I. C. warehouse since Atis cannot accomodate.

3. Documents will be held at Yokosuka until we call for them.

4. Lt. Comdr. Reierstad returned from Maiguru.

5. Requested meeting with Col. Smith to impliment our SOP--
on the one hand evacuate documents to Washington with as much dispatch
as possible and yet make them available here to agencies without
involving shipment in great delays.